

Sky Riders

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have themselves been victims of the air-borne missiles. A police car took a direct hit resulting in a large dent in the body.

Mrs. George Spaulding, 24443 Madison St., is another victim of the aerial barrage. She was also hit on the head by a rock.

"Fortunately I was wearing a hat when it hit me and so I wasn't hurt." She said it came out of the west at a high angle. She has gathered more than two dozen rocks off her back yard lawn and collected a jagged, rust-covered automobile sparkplug that dug itself into her lawn when it hit. Police said the metal object could have killed her had it hit her on the head.

Mrs. R. G. Sage, 24447 Madison St., theorizes that the objects are being shot from a powerful slingshot anchored somewhere to the west of her home. There is no forwarding noise like a shot of a gun to alert residents that another projectile is on the way. She offers the opinion that one particular house is the object of the attack, but that other homes are suffering from the falling shrapnel.

Deficit Spending Down

Deficit spending by the California Department of Fish and Game ran almost \$100,000 below the previous year and more than \$1,000,000 below the originally estimated deficit for the 1952-53 fiscal year, Harry Anderson, administrative deputy for the department, announced recently.

Smog Device

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clouds from the dining room. That was in 1912. In 1948 Constantine came to Los Angeles and the smog-washer forgotten. But it didn't remain forgotten for long. His eyes began to hurt. Then, he read in the papers about smog being the cause of his discomfort, with a sudden start, he realized that he had the answer!

Thus began his efforts to obtain a guinea pig for his experiment. Constantine believes that factories are like people. People have bathrooms, why shouldn't factories? His invention provides a harmless outlet for factory-originated excretions of noxious gases, rather than having them floating around in the air we breathe, he says.

The inventor, who was born in Greece almost 65 years ago, advises everyone to wash out their eyes with cold water in the morning to neutralize some of the smog effects, and thus keep from going blind. Until his invention becomes a household word, he says, this is the best substitute.

Pledges Support To Mental Health Budget Increase

Full legislative support for an increased budget aiding mental health interests was the promise made by State Senator Vincent Thomas when he spoke at a meeting of the Harbor District Mental Health Service, held to promote co-operation between the service and Torrance, South Bay, and Los Angeles school systems.

According to Thomas, lack of financial aid is a serious detriment to the progress of the harbor clinic and other services. The Mental Health Service is available to any resident of the Harbor area on Wednesdays from 10:10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the City Health Center, 731 S. Beacon, San Pedro.

People who have serious problems causing great emotional or social discomfort to themselves or others may apply for the service.

The psychiatrist, psychologist, and psychiatric social worker present at the clinic have been supplied by the State Department of Mental Hygiene, while the community provides maintenance and clerical work.



FEMININITY AND FLOWERS... Using the crescent technique, Mmes. C.W. Wood, W.J. Garritty and V.E. Benstead, left to right, combine their talents in flower arranging. The three women are among several who attended the planning meeting for a floral arrangement class which will be conducted under the auspices of the Torrance School of Adult Education each Thursday night, 7 to 10 o'clock, at the high school.

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THS Grads Join Warwhoop Staff

Two graduates of Torrance High School will assume positions on the staff of the Warwhoop, weekly news publication of the State Department of Education, during the coming semester.

Carl Larsen will assume duties as associate editor of the publication, while Fred Claire takes over the sports desk of the campus paper. Larsen, sides with his grandmother, Mrs. E. Porter, 1211 El Prado, and Claire lives with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Claire, 2716 Eldorado.

Appointed to their new posts by Editor Joe Rothstein of Hawthorne, the two were selected from a wide field of candidates. Claire served as sports editor of the Torrance News Torch last year, and is now enrolled as a freshman student at El Camino. Also a freshman, Larsen is a member of the newspaper staffs both at Torrance and Compton high schools during his senior year.

Other editorial positions for the first half of the semester will be assumed by Judy Appbaum of Hawthorne, news editor, and Dick Doss, Inglewood, feature editor.

Working on the staff with other Torrance graduates this semester is Dave Parton, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Parton, 1218 Arlington Ave.

Part Time Jobs Needed By El Camino Students

"Many El Camino students are in need of part-time jobs," Mr. W. Holmes Smith, college Placement Office head, indicated Friday in urging prospective employers to contact his office to fill such vacancies.

Because many veterans now attending the college will not receive checks until November, the need is particularly urgent now, Mr. Smith emphasized. He defined part-time jobs as being employment of six hours per day or under.

Students who can fill almost any type of position are available on the campus, many being qualified for such employment as service station attendants, stock room clerks, grocery clerks, and general office workers. Some of the students have their own cars.

Employers wishing to hire college students may contact Mrs. Judy Peters, Placement Office secretary, by calling Menlo 4-6631 or Plymouth 6-1421.

Applicants are particularly eager for employment in the Redondo Beach, Torrance, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Hawthorne, Manhattan Beach, Gardena, Lennox, and Lawndale areas, the placement officer indicated.

Last year, 405 jobs were listed with the Placement Office, with 256 of these being filled. A total of 537 students made application for placement during the school year. Some jobs were not filled because employers were located outside the school area or jobs required technical skills not attained by college students.

Walteria Scouts Receive Many Awards at Troop Court of Honor

Senior Patrol Leader Robert Adams got his Life Scout badge, a Silver Moccasin, third-year pin, and numerous merit badges last Monday night when Walteria Boy Scout Troop No. 240 held Court of Honor at the Walteria Recreation Hall.

The boy, who received the Silver Moccasin following his talk about his trip this summer on the Silver Moccasin Trail. Other program highlights included a skit on boxing, with Dennis Harvey (Dennis the Menace) and Dean Hancock (Deanie the Menace) sparring under the watchful eye of the referee, Victor Pestoff. William Butcher announced the bout, while John Medina and Floyd Ramsey were the two judges.

Award ceremonies followed, with Greenbar Training certificates in the Junior Leading Course going to Scouts Gary Bowen, Adams, Dennis Lupin, Robert Johnson, Richard Hull, and Bob Butcher. Harvey received first class presentations, while Medina and Dean Hancock received tenderfoot awards. Second class presentations were made to Bowen, Ramsey, Richard Birmingham, Pestoff, Richard Hull, and Bob Butcher. Scouts also received miniature duplicates of the pins, which they presented to their mothers, who stood behind them during the ceremonies.

Among merit badges received by Patrol Leader Adams were citizenship in the home and nation, life saving, public health, nature study, architecture, painting, rabbit raising, pioneering, and hiking.

Citizenship in the home and nation and nature study merit badges also went to Life Scout Bob Walker. William Butcher was awarded a Star and merit badge for firemanship, architecture, home repairs, and art, while Johnson received a merit badge for reading.

Following presentation of the awards, the court was adjourned with the retreat of color bearers, and refreshments were served by the Scout Mothers.

Flower Arranging Added to Adult School Schedule

A new course, flower arrangement, has been added to the Torrance School of Adult Education curriculum, Marshall Crawshaw, director, revealed this week.

Set up last Thursday night, the new class will be conducted each Thursday evening, 7 to 10 o'clock, at Torrance High School, he said. John Sable, senior art course instructor at UCLA, will be in charge.

Anyone interested may enroll in the course, but each enrollee must provide his own flowers and containers, the director said. Other adult art classes still open for enrollment include a watercolor and oil course conducted each Tuesday, 7 to 9:30 p.m., in Room 108 at the high school by Antoinette Wilking; textile painting taught by Mrs. Wanda Conaty in Room 122, THS, each Wednesday from 7 to 10 o'clock and at Walteria School each Thursday from 7 to 10 p.m.; ceramics, conducted by Mrs. Rosalie Weddin at the Women's Clubhouse each Friday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and lampshade making, taught by Mrs. LeMenager each Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon, at McMaster Park.

Further information about other courses in arts and crafts, cake decorating, photography, ceramics, and lampshade making may be obtained by calling Crawshaw at FAirfax 8-0658.

Temple Menorah Assembly Told

Temple Menorah Religious School assembly will be held at the temple, 112 1/2 N. Catalina, Redondo Beach, on Sunday, Oct. 11, it was announced yesterday. The assembly will meet at 11:30 a.m.

Students, parents, and all members are welcome to view a sound film narrated by Chet Huntley entitled "Mt. Sinai in Action."

Following the film, a discussion will be held under the direction of Mrs. Toby Silverman, regional director of auxiliaries for Mt. Sinai Hospital and clinic.

Children of the religious school have taken for their charitable project this term the purchase of medical equipment for the "Save-A-Child" auxiliary group of the hospital's children's clinic.

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Deaf Children To Be Examined

Children in the Harbor area with hearing defects will have a chance to obtain examinations and treatment at the Deafness Prevention Clinic, which opened Thursday in San Pedro, according to Mrs. G. A. Robinson, chairman.

Parents should bring their youngsters to the newly completed clinic area of the San Pedro Assistance League clubhouse, 1441 W. 8th St., San Pedro, between the hours of 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Mrs. Robinson said.

Trained league volunteers associated with this clinic are Mmes. Fred Briggs, E. H. Daves, Clifford Stratton, Frank Lightburn, Roy E. Beverly, Leslie Smith, A. W. Warnock, A. H. Nerad, J. W. Burke, George Bronaugh, Norvel Sockerson, Cecil Graft, and W. E. Shawger.

Propose Plan To Conserve Basin Water

A nine-point program for conserving the West Basin ground water supply will be recommended by the executive committee of the West Basin Water Association when the Board of Directors meets next Thursday evening at the Palms Venetian Country Club.

Program to be proposed by the committee includes a recommendation that voluntary curtailment of pumping from the basin be instituted by Jan. 1, 1954, under a stipulated agreement between major water producers, or otherwise that pumping be curtailed under temporary injunction as contemplated under Chapter 1690, Statutes of 1953.

The committee also will recommend the sponsoring of new legislation which would commit to a responsible agency jurisdiction over the ground water problems of the West Basin and other California ground water basins.

Rape Case

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knowing of a man owning a green car who has recently painted it to contact him at FAirfax 8-3495.

L. Reginald H. Harrison, in charge of juvenile bureau Lennox Station of the County Sheriff's office, is cooperating in the manhunt and has issued a description of the wanted criminal to all units in the area.

The little victim was grabbed by her attacker at 9 a.m. at the corner of 229th St. and Narbonne Ave. as she walked toward Torrance Elementary School. After forcing her into his car he asked her, "Are you going to be a nice girl?" as he sped toward a seldom used road in the oil fields near Maple Ave. and Sepulveda Blvd. where the actual attack took place.

As in the rape case of last January the suspect then drove his victim back near the scene where the girl was kidnapped and released her. An examination at the Harbor General Hospital confirmed the criminal attack.

Dance Riot

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away from high school dances and other social events.

Several of those arrested Friday night, Cook said, would have spent the night at home instead of in jail had they behaved when officers were breaking up a fight which developed. Cook and other officers who were there said some of those arrested used profane language toward the police and generally interfered with their attempts to quiet down the disturbance.

Also arrested were seven juveniles who were ordered to appear with their parents here next Saturday before juvenile officers.

Thief Visits Two Houses

Two North Torrance residents were hit within a few minutes here last week according to Torrance police.

Walter Sapp, at 16702 Fay-smith, told police that someone of the Los Angeles County \$2 in change.

A few minutes later Sam Spino, of 8401 W. 166th St., told police that someone had entered his home while he was gone for a short while and took a small amount of change, a few pieces of old jewelry, and some keys.

California's sea-going sportsmen caught 202,000 ocean fish during June, according to partyboat catch figures compiled by the Department of Fish and Game. This was an average of four fish a day for each of the 75,000 anglers tallied.

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